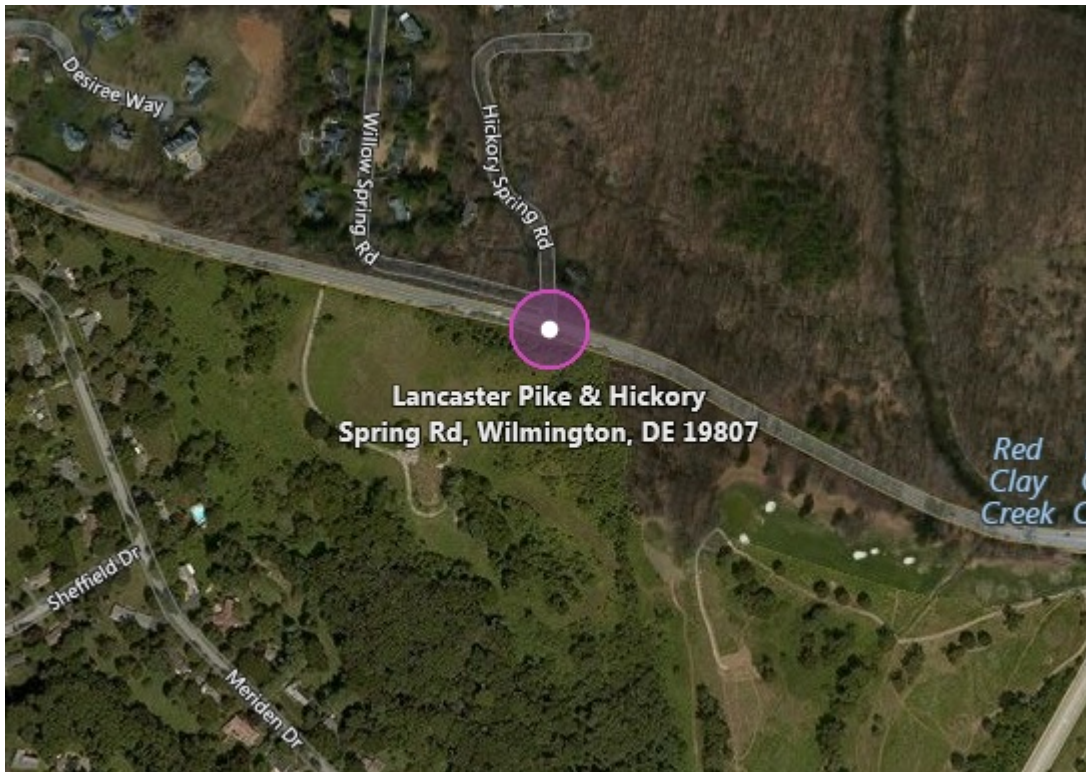


# Troopers Investigate Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash



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***Wilmington (19707)***- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is currently investigating a single vehicle fatal motor vehicle crash which claimed the life of a Hockessin woman this morning.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 12:39 a.m. this morning, Monday, June 12, 2017, as Sarah R. Massaferi, 25, was operating a 2002 Honda CRV and was traveling in a westbound direction on SR48 (Lancaster Pike) in the area of Hickory Spring Road. For an unknown reason, Massaferi's vehicle crossed the center line of the roadway and continued across the eastbound lane. It then left the south side of the roadway and traveled in a southwesterly direction where it struck a utility pole with its left front corner and left side before coming to rest.

Sarah Massaferi was treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics. She was then transported to the Christiana Medical Center where she was pronounced dead. Massaferi was not properly restrained at the time of the crash. It is unknown if alcohol or drug use was a factor in the crash.

Lancaster Pike was closed in both directions for approximately 2 hours as the crash was investigated and cleared. This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police.

*If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline*

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